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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4396

C O N F I D E N T I A L SANTIAGO 2247

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: TPHY, EMIN, XV

SUBJECT: LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO EXPLORATION  
FOR AND EXPLOITATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES IN  
ANTARCTICA

REF: STATE 081788

1. REQUESTED MATERIALS POUCHED TO DESK INCLUDING MINING CODE  
AND RELATED LAWS ( SEE MARKINGS PAGE 241-242 OF MINING CODE)  
ALSO LAW NO. 16,319, ( ARTICLE 5) DEALING WITH EXPLOITATION OF  
NATURAL ATOMIC MATERIALS, AND COPY OF NEW ARTICLE 10, NO. 10  
OF CHILEAN CONSTITUTION INTRODUCED AS PART OF COPPER EXPROPRIATION  
AMENDMENT. THIS PROVISION ENABLES CONGRESS TO MODIFY EXISTING LAWS  
RELATING TO MINING ( INCLUDING CODE AND OTHER MATERIALS ATTACHED)  
SO AS TO CREATE A SYSTEM OF CONCESSIONS WHOSE CONDITIONS MAY BE  
ESTABLISHED BY LAW REPLACING THE BROADER CONCEPT OF MINING  
PROPERTIES, ( " PERTINENCIAS MINERAS") EXISTING UNDER PRESENT LAWS.  
NO ACTION HAS YET BEEN TAKEN TO IMPLEMENT THE AUTHORITY PRO-  
VIDED BY THE NEW ARTICLE 10, NO. 10. THOUGH IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
CABLE INSTRUCTIONS WE HAVE NOT UNDERTAKEN EXHAUSTIVE INQUIRY,  
OUR INVESTIGATION INDICATES WITH REASONABLE CERTAINTY THAT  
THERE ARE NO SPECIAL PROVISIONS OF CHILEAN LAW DEALING WITH  
MINING IN ANTARCTICA OR SPECIFICALLY MAKING MINING LAWS FOR  
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REST OF COUNTRY APPLICABLE TO ANTARCTICA. PRESUMABLY THIS ARISES  
FROM CHILEAN CLAIM TO SOVEREIGNTY OVER PORTIONS OF ANTARCTICA  
WHICH, IF CORRECT, WOULD MAKE SPECIAL LEGISLATION UNNECESSARY.  
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